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Peace Is Sole O'Dwyer Issue;

Asserts War Javits Explains His Stand

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By DON MORRIS

To Paul O'Dwyer, Democratic Senatorial candidate, there is only one issue in his campaign—peace in Vietnam.

"I'm a one-issue candidate. That's the surest thing you have ever heard," he told a willfully cheering rally of some 3,000 at State University in Albany last night.

"That issue," he said, "Stands as a mountain ahead of us. We cannot get down to the ills which beset the country while the war is going on."

Mr. O'Dwyer, who was accompanied at the rally by folksinger Tom Paxton and actress Myrna Loy, spoke earlier at a rally at RPI.

Critical of CIA

He was critical of the "security complex"—the FBI and CIA—a complex that is "the shadow of a police state across the land." He proposed the CIA be abolished as an independent agency "and its functions be brought under the State and Defense departments."

He also urged all the security agencies be prohibited from using electronic surveillance and Congress be given a role in selecting the heads of all such agencies.

Earlier in the day, Mr. O'Dwyer met with Albany County Democratic chairman Daniel P. O'Connell and quoted Mr. O'Connell as saying the Democratic candidate would carry the county "comfortably."

In his Troy appearance, Mr. O'Dwyer, a strong supporter of Eugene McCarthy, lashed out at Senator Jacob Javits's latest stand on Vietnam.

He said his opponent, until recently, had been a strong advocate of U.S. policy and had supported President Johnson's position on the bombing of the North.

Concerned Over Wallace

A persistent theme in all Mr. O'Dwyer's appearances was his concern over the candidacy of former Alabama Gov. George Wallace. He said Mr. Wallace has found a home "in the most unlikely places" this year, particularly in organized labor.

Mr. O'Dwyer, who has championed many unpopular labor causes, said labor support for the former governor may have stemmed from the endorsement of the Johnson war policies by the AFL-CIO convention.

He said the Wallace threat can be "beaten back" adding he doubted the former governor would get 25 per cent of the New York State popular vote.

He chided Republican nominee Richard Nixon for his statement that dissent would be "allowed" in a Nixon administration. "The question of dissent is not his to withhold or bestow," he said. "Should he become president there will be a great deal of dissent."

Speaks of Youth

Mr. O'Dwyer spoke warmly of the "youth power" which has worked for him and Senator McCarthy. "Young people are not listening to me as much as I am listening to them," he said.

"They are more concerned over the next three years than they are over the past 20," he continued. Earlier he predicted 25,000 young volunteers would work for his election.

"There never was a time when so great a burden was placed on the young people of the nation," he said. "As they responded to us, we too must respond to them."

At a fund raising dinner, Mr. O'Dwyer was praised by Miss Loy. She recalled his successful efforts to have literacy tests for New York City's Puerto Ricans administered in Spanish and said he is not a politician "concerned with immortality."

Says GOP Can Do It Better

By JUDITH BENDER

As Senator Jacob K. Javits stood in the Campus Center gardens at State University, basking in the warm October sun and the enthusiastic applause, a bearded young man in a dark paisley shirt and blue jeans got up from the grass and asked:

"Mr. Javits, we're very happy with what you've said today about Viet Nam and the war on poverty."

"But how," he went on, "with all the liberal policies you stand for, do you reconcile that with your support for the Nixon-Agnew ticket?"

SEVERAL MINUTES later, another earnest young man posed virtually the same query, which apparently is one this liberal Republican hears often these days.

Basically, Mr. Javits' answer is the same on each occasion: My choice (of Richard M. Nixon and Spiro T. Agnew) is not based on any unity of identity I have with them; they know I won't vote "yar" with them every time. But there are four things that Nixon can do better than his opponent.

And then, as he did here yesterday, he goes on to say: Nixon will find it easier to end the war in Viet Nam because he is not tied in with the Johnson administration policies; Nixon will receive more enthusiastic support from industry; Nixon will be better able to bring about "some sense of consolidation" within the federal government, and Nixon can better deal with the "eroding American morale."

A FEW MINUTES later, he put it even more strongly.

"Nixon is a very ambitious man," he said, as students applauded vigorously in apparent agreement. "It's absolutely inconceivable to me that a man as smart as that would undertake a new presidency with the albatross of Vietnam on his back. He's got enormous incentive to end the war."

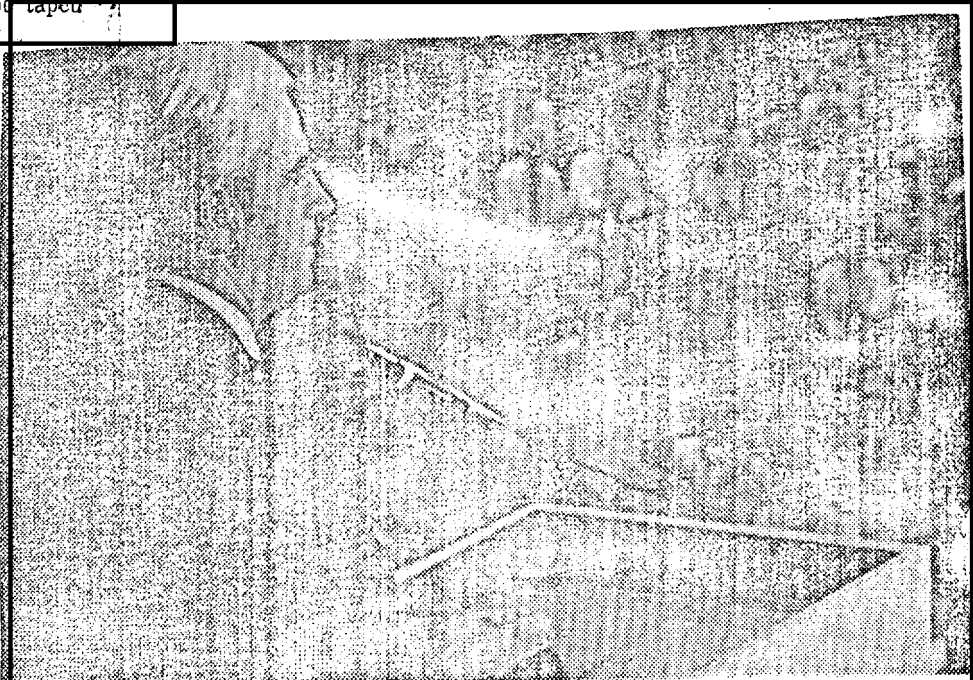
The students, about 500, who sat or sprawled languidly on the grass beside the strictly modern Campus Center, applauded and laughed at the senator's reply, to which they listened intently as the chug-chug of a pile-driver competed for attention.

There was also enthusiastic response for the senator's review of his record of support for an immediate bombing halt in Vietnam and for inclusion of the National Liberation Front in any election there, for his attack on George C. Wallace ("a racist—basically, simply, directly") and for his position on the now-familiar issue of "law and order." That "justice long deferred" raised the very "real danger of insurrection" in the slums.

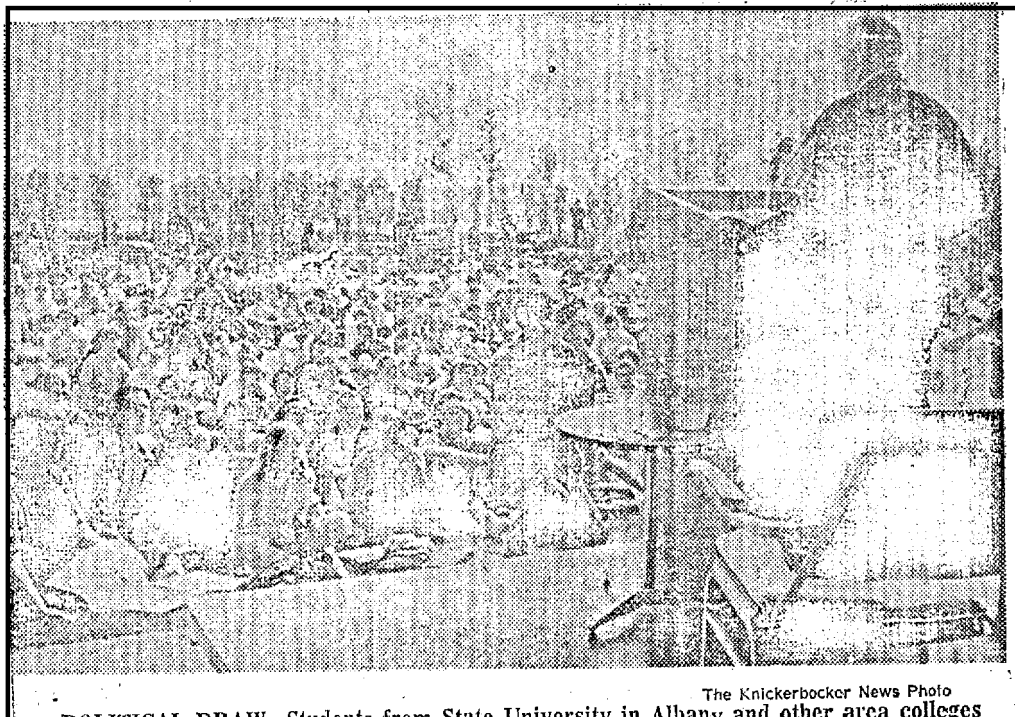
EARLIER, Mr. Javits, in a more traditional vein, wooed prospective worker-voters at the East General Electric Co. plant in Schenectady and prosperous businessmen-voters at a Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting.

At no point did his path cross that of his Democratic opponent, Paul O'Dwyer, who also campaigned in Albany and Troy yesterday.

However, Mr. Javits has agreed to debate Mr. O'Dwyer and the Conservative Party candidate, James Buckley, in a television program to be taped tomorrow.



SPEAKING OUT—Democrat Paul O'Dwyer, candidate for the U. S. Senate, speaks to students at State University in Albany during a rally last night. Mr. O'Dwyer has been a supporter of Senator Eugene McCarthy and a consistent anti-war spokesman.



POLITICAL DRAW—Students from State University in Albany and other area colleges sit at the feet of Senator Jacob Javits, incumbent Republican running for reelection as he fielded their pointed questions during the rally at the university yesterday.

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